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Crop Report



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The following are the survey results from the 2005 August Agricultural Yield Survey. A sample of the farmers in Arkansas provided the data for this survey. The data are also posted on our home page at the Internet address above, and more detailed U.S. statistics at <http://www.usda.gov/nass/>. Thanks to all who responded to the questionnaire or interview for the survey.

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Rice: Based on conditions as of August 1, the Arkansas all rice yield for 2005 is forecast at 6,970 pounds per acre, up 60 pounds from last year's yield. If realized, this yield would be a record high for the state. All rice harvested acres are estimated at 1.61 million, up 3.5 percent from 2004. The 2005 total rice production for the state is forecast at 112.2 million hundredweight (cwt), up from last year's production of 107.4 million cwt.

Soybeans: Arkansas soybean yield is forecast at 35.0 bushels per acre, down 4.5 bushel per acre from last year's record of 39.5, based on conditions as of August 1. Harvested acres of soybeans are estimated at 2.95 million acres, down 200,000 acres from 2004. Soybean production for Arkansas in 2005 is forecast at 103.2 million bushels, down 17 percent from a year ago.

Cotton: Based on conditions as of August 1, Arkansas cotton production is forecast at 2.05 million bales (480 pounds per bale), down 39,000 bales from a year ago. The derived yield of 984 pounds per acre is down 130 pounds per acre from last year's record yield of 1,114. Harvested acres are estimated at 1,000,000 acres, up from last year's 900,000 acres harvested.

Sorghum: Grain sorghum production for the state is forecast at 4.56 million bushels, compared to 4.70 million a year ago, based on conditions as of August 1. The state average grain sorghum yield is forecast at 80 bushels per acre, down 4 bushels per acre from last year's average yield. Acres harvested for grain sorghum are estimated at 57,000, compared to 56,000 acres in 2004.

Corn: Based on conditions as of August 1, the 2005 Arkansas corn for grain yield is forecast at 134 bushels per acre, down 6 bushels from last year's yield. Acres of corn harvested for grain are estimated at 230,000, compared to 305,000 acres harvested in 2004. Total corn for grain production in the state is forecast at 30.8 million bushels.

Arkansas Area Harvested, Yield, and Production 2004-2005--August Forecast

Crop	Area Harvested		Yield		Production	
	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005
	Thousand Acres		Yield per acre		Thousands	
Rice, All, 1/	1,555	1,610	6,910	6,970	107,440	112,217
Soybeans, bushels	3,150	2,950	39.5	35.0	124,425	103,250
Cotton, Upland 2/	900	1,000	1,114	984	2,089	2,050
Sorghum, bushels	56	57	84.0	80.0	4,704	4,560
Corn, bushels	305	230	140.0	134.0	42,700	30,820
Winter Wheat, bushels	620	165	53.0	55.0	32,860	9,075

^{1/} Rice yield in pounds. Rice Production in hundredweight (cwt)

^{2/} Cotton yield in pounds per acre. Cotton Production in 480 pound bales.

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United States

Rice: U.S. production is forecast at 226.8 million cwt, down 1.7 percent from last year. Harvested acres, at 3.29 million, are down 1 percent from 2004. As of August 1, the U.S. all rice yield is forecast at 6,897 pounds per acre. This is down 45 pounds from the previous record high yield in 2004.

Soybeans: U.S. soybean production is forecast at 2.79 billion bushels, down 11 percent from 2004. Based on August 1 conditions, yields are expected to average 38.7 bushels per acre, down 3.8 bushels from 2004. Area for harvest is forecast at 72.2 million acres, down 2.4 percent from the 2004 acreage.

Upland Cotton: U.S. upland cotton production is forecast at 20.57 million 480-pound bales, 8.6 percent below 2004. Upland cotton harvested area, at 13.40 million acres, is up 4.5 percent from a year ago.

Corn: U.S. corn production is forecast at 10.3 billion bushels, 12 percent below 2004. Based on conditions as of August 1, yields are expected to average 139.2 bushels per acre, down 21.2 bushels from last year.

United States Area Harvested, Yield, and Production 2004-2005 –August Forecast

Crop	Area Harvested		Yield		Production	
	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005
	Thousand Acres		Yield per acre		Thousands	
Rice, All, 1/	3,325	3,288	6,942	6,897	230,818	226,763
Soybeans, bushels	73,958	72,184	42.5	38.7	3,140,996	2,791,133
Cotton, Upland 2/	12,809.0	13,396.0	843	737	22,505.1	20,566.0
Sorghum, bushels	6,517	6,030	69.8	63.1	454,899	380,319
Corn, bushels	73,632	74,368	160.4	139.2	11,807,217	10,349,841
Winter Wheat, bushels	34,462	34,271	43.5	44.4	1,499,434	1,520,848

^{1/} Rice yield in pounds. Rice Production in hundredweight (cwt)

^{2/} Cotton yield in pounds per acre. Cotton Production in 480 pound bales.
